

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3416

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.
Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors: D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.
Chief Manager, GEO. W. E. PLAYFAIR.

Branches—London, Yokohama, Shanghai,
Amoy and Foochow.

BANKERS—

The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Parts Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
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CURRENT ACCOUNTS " 3
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £1,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED UP £250,000.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Wm. Keewick, Esq.—Chairman.
Adolf von André, Esq. F. D. Sasso, Esq.
Egbert Iveson, Esq. H. D. Stew, Esq.
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE: The Hon. J. J. Keewick, The Hon. C. P. Chater,
H. Hopkiss, Esq.

Head Office—Princes Street, London.
Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and
Shanghai.

Agencies—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST, ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS

and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained
on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [199]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.

LATE THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE
BANK OF INDIA, LONDON
AND CHINA.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST on CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months 3 per cent.
" 6 " 4
" 3 " 3
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW
(TUESDAY), the 11th day of April, 1893,
at 2.30 P.M.,
at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,
SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE, &c.
Comprising:—

TAPESTRY with PLUSH, COVERED
DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,
MARBLE-TOP CENTRE & SIDE TABLES,
BLACKWOOD CURIO STANDS,
BEVELLED GLASS OVERMANTELS,
CARPETS and HEARTH-RUGS.

DINING TABLE, MARBLE-TOP SIDE-
BOARD with BEVELLED GLASS BACK,
DINNER WAGGONS, VIENNA CHAIRS,
GLASS BOOK-CASE, WRITING TABLE,
DESK and COPYING PRESS.

CROCKERY, GLASS & PLATED-WARE,
DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON BED-
STEADS.

DOUBLE and SINGLE WARDROBE with
BEVELLED GLASS DOORS, CHEST of
DRAWERS, MARBLE-TOP BUREAU with
BEVELLED GLASS, DRESSING TABLE,
and MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS.

ONE COOKING STOVE,
etc., etc.

TERMS of SALE:—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1893. [426]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
TWO PIANOS and SUNDAY EFFECTS
AT AUCTION MART, 17, PRAYA CENTRAL,
ON THURSDAY next, April 13th, 1893.

AT 2.30 P.M. SHARP.
(Removed for Convenience of Sale.)

Comprising:—

DRAWING, DINING and BED-ROOM
FURNITURE, MOROCCO LEATHER
COVERED SUITE, TAPESTRY COVERED
SUITE, handsome SIDEBOARDS, OVER-
MANTELS, COUCHES, CHAIRS, ONE ft. 6
IRON BEDSTEAD, DOUBLE and SINGLE
IRON BEDSTEAD, CURTAINS, DRESS-
ING TABLES, DINING TABLES, DINNER
WAGGONS, EASY CHAIRS, FANCY
WICKER CHAIRS and SOFAS, DINER,
and DESSERT SEIS, ELECTRO-PLATED
and GLASS WARE, CUTLERY, MARBLE-
TOP and other TABLES.

TWO COTTAGE PIANOS, ORNAMENTS,
PICTURES, SOOCHOW and other BATHS,
OIL & GAS STOVES, COOKING STOVES
and RANGES, IRON SAFE with STAND,
TWO Ladies' MOUNTAIN CHAIRS, TWO
Gentlemen's ditto.

A QUANTITY of
PLANTS in POTS, BAMBOO BLINDS,
etc., etc.

On view on Wednesday and Thursday A.M.

E. SKEELS & Co.,
Auctioneers & Valuators.

Auction Mart, 17, Praya Central,
Hongkong, 6th April, 1893. [427]

Insurances.

EXAMPLES OF THE COST
OF INSURANCE TO A MAN AGED 30
NEXT BIRTHDAY.

£1,000 cost per quarter at the rate of £1—

£6 18 0 (a) If premiums are payable for
whole of life

or £9 11 6 (b) If premiums are limited to 20
years

or £11 4 6 (c) If premiums are limited to 15
years

or £13 0 0 (d) If the Sum Assured is made
payable at age 50, or at
death, if previous

* Secured payments.

THE same provisions if commenced at age 40
a. b. would cost respectively (a) £8.15.0,
(b) £11.5.0, (c) £13.2.4, (d) £17.0.8 per quarter.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

679—4 STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

THE

EQUITABLE

LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

EXTRAORDINARY RESULTS.

OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF THE FINAN-
CIAL POSITION

AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1892.

NEW BUSINESS £40,000.00
OUTSTANDING ASSURANCE £170,000,000
INCOME £8,000,000
ASSETS £30,000,000
SURPLUS £6,300,000

THE SURPLUS over LIABILITIES on
every Standard of Valuation is larger than
that of any other Life Assurance Company.

Head Office 120, Broadway, New York.
London Office 31, Cheapside, E.C.
Shanghai Office 3, Canton Road.

W. Hartigan, Esq., M.D.,
M.R.C.P., and L.M.
L.R.C.S.I.

Local Med. Officers: Jas. Cantlie, Esq., M.A.,
M.B., F.R.C.S. Eng.
A. M. Cowie, Esq., M.B.,
C.M.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1893. [428]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON-TAI INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000, EQUAL to £333,333.33
RESERVE FUND £38,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: LK SING, Esq. LO YUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TEO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1892.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1893. [173]

Intimations.

THE STEAM LAUNCH "BONNIE."
Apply to THE SECRETARY,

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY,
Hongkong, 5th April, 1893. [422]

THE MIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIKE COAL is a
BITUMINOUS COAL

of dark reddish colour. For steam purposes
it has been pronounced to be the best and the
most economical of all the Japanese Coals. Its
export is increasing yearly, and the opinions
expressed by several of the largest regular
consumers are in testimony of the excellent
qualities of this coal.

Attention is called to the following advantages
to Ship's Owners and Captains, who can obtain
bunkers direct from the Undersigned:—

FRESHNESS of the coal.

UNIFORMITY of quality.

FREEDOM from impurities.

Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.

3. Quick despatch.

4. BEST of weight, etc., etc.

5. MIKE BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents, Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1892. [190]

KING WO CHEONG,

COAL MERCHANTS, SHIPS' COMPA-
RIES, STEVEDORES, &c.

Have for Sale a car of pure AKAIKI COAL
GODOWN and on SHIP.

M. R. L. W. BOYD, Superintendent at
Kowloon Docks, report that AKAIKI
COAL GIVES TEN PER CENT. BETTER
RESULTS than any Japanese Coal he has yet
seen.

For full particulars as to price, etc.,
apply to KING WO CHEONG,

Auctioneers & Valuators.

Auction Mart, 17, Praya Central,
Hongkong, 5th April, 1893. [191]

Intimations.

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHES, SHOWER SPLASHES, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1892.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.

W. POWELL & CO.

EX S. S. "MIRZAPORE" AND "CANTON."

LARGE SHIPMENTS OF
NEW GOODS.

NEW SUMMER SILKS,

CREPE DE CHINES,

FRENCH TEA GOWN SILK,
&c. &c. &c.

W. POWELL & CO.

27th March 1893.

W. ROBINSON & Co.

(UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL) HONGKONG.

PIANO TUNING
SATISFACTORY WORK GUARANTEED.

SINGLE TUNING £5.00
6 TUNINGS A YEAR £35.00 PER ANNUM.
12 do. do. £48.00 do.

INCLUDING MINOR REPAIRS AND THE KEEPING OF THE PIANO IN GOOD
ORDER AND CONDITION.

PIANOS BOUGHT, SOLD OR TAKEN IN EXCHANGE, PACKED, REMOVED AND
STORED.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1893. [581]

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "KREMLIN"—A. B. C. Code—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East
affords unequalled accommodation to

Intimations.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

AERATED WATER'S.

WATER.—The Water used is absolutely pure.

STEAM PLANT.—Of the latest and most powerful type.

SUPERVISION.—The whole process of manufacture is under the continuous supervision of a qualified English Chemist.

THE PRODUCT.—Will bear comparison with the Waters made by the most noted makers in England.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & CO., LTD.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently refitted with automatic Steam Machinery of the latest and most approved kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English makers.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

"BOMBAY SODAS."

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, *Free of Extra Charge*, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary size.

COAST PORT ORDERS, whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good condition.

Counterfoil Order Books supplied free on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is: "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG." And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:—

PURE AERATED WATER

SODA WATER

LEMONADE

POTASH WATER

SELTZER WATER

LITHIA WATER

SARSAPARILLA WATER

TONIC WATER

LEMON SQUASH

GINGER ALE

RASPBERRYADE

GINGERADE.

No credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

BIRTHS.

On the 3rd March at Heslemere, Clapham Common, the wife of EDWARD ALFRED PROST, of Shanghai, of a son.

On the 2nd March, at the residence of her father, Brigadier Park, Ware, the wife of DOUGLAS JONES, of Shanghai, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

On the 25th February at Chelmsford, SAMUEL JOSEPH SMITH (formerly Wesleyan Missionary at Canton, China), aged 64.

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TELEGRAMS.

LABOUR RIOTS.

LONDON, April 8th.

A fierce struggle has arisen at Hull between the shipping fenders and seamen and dockers unions. Several fierce scuffles have occurred. The police have been largely reinforced and are occupying the quays to give protection to fenders; the Military are also held in readiness.

COURT MARTIAL.

The enquiry into the recent accident to H.M.S. *Undeputed* resulted in exonerating Lord Charles Beresford, C.B., and admonishing Commander Richards for faulty steering.

SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.

MADRID, March 28th.

The new commercial treaty between Spain and Portugal was signed to-day.

EASTER.

March 31st.

On the occasion of the Easter celebrations, the queen regent has granted a free pardon to Tamai, condemned to death by the Philippines Court in a great case recently.

April 1st.

The Queen deeply sympathises with the people of Manila on account of the terrible fire of Good Friday, and sanctions vote of \$4,000 for relief.

UNITED STATES TARIFF REFORM.

President Cleveland has summoned the Congress to meet in September for the reconsideration of the Macaulay Tariff law.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Sandakan Races were to be held on the 3rd inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Formosa* left Singapore for this port at daylight yesterday.

THE RUSSIAN men-of-war *Boats*, *Vitse*, and *Zabala* left Shanghai on the 2nd inst. for Nagasaki.

THE APEC Liner *Japan*, replaced by the *Catharin* APEC, is to be sold at Calcutta on the 1st June.

WOODYE'S CIRCUS appears to be still (up to latest advices—March 12th) doing wonderfully good business in Calcutta.

A SMALL shock of earthquake passed over the Philippines on the 1st April. Even Nature plays practical jokes on All Fools' Day!

ACCORDING to the *Commerce* of March 29th, small-pox has broken out in a low quarter of Manila, and several deaths have occurred.

A COMPLIMENTARY public dinner was tendered to Herr von Brandt, the retiring director of the Peking *Corps Diplomatique*, at Tientsin on the 4th inst.

THE return of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended April 9th, are: Europeans, 233; Chinese, 1,351; total, 1,584.

THE Stanley Awfuls have had a roaring season in Calcutta. Our old friend Tommy Empson had a magnificently successful benefit on the 16th ult.

THE Tientsin Spring Races will be held on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 11th, 12th, and 13th May. Entries close at noon on Saturday, 22nd inst.

CAPT. J. W. MacKenzie, who for some time past has been in command of Messrs. Marconi & Co.'s coasting steamer *Pitha*, has been appointed to the command of the river steamer *Orbya*, which will commence running on the Canton river in opposition to the *Perig* and *Perseus* on the 15th inst.

MANY of our readers will learn with deep regret of the death, at Shanghai on the 4th instant, of Mr. E. W. Rice. The genial "Ned" came to China in '65 and was one of the best known figures in the Model Settlement. Death resulted from a brief but acute attack of paralysis. Mr. Rice was a native of Boston, Mass., and was 53 years of age. *Vale, Edward!*

ON Monday morning last (3rd inst.), a runaway pony created considerable excitement on the Shanghai Bund for about half an hour. Ultimately the Sikkim police ran him in.

THE steamship *Sulley* is leaving for Shanghai on Tuesday, the 11th inst., at daylight; the mail closes to-day at 5 p.m.; late letters 5 to 10 p.m. instead of as previously notified.

FOR having five sets of prepared Malwa opium, not the Farm product, at 143 Praya West on Saturday, a Chinaman was fined \$60 at the Magistrate to-day, on the information of P.S. Moffatt.

IN reference to the accident to the *Halfpenny*, the *Avenir* protests against the useless expenditure by the Government in subsidising a steamer to carry nothing else but ballast, and official passengers.

A COLLISION occurred a few days ago in Dagupan railway station (Liaison) between an empty passenger train and a goods train. Considerable damage was done, and the drivers and stokers were injured.

A REGULAR meeting of Perserverance Lodge, No. 116, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Monday, the 17th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

AT the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. Wodehouse, two old offenders who were caught by a *lukong* early this morning in Kennedy Town with guns, knives, and other nefarious implements in their possession, were sent to gaol for three months each.

IN the Hanoi Municipal Chamber M. Robert Mitchell (hardly sounds like a French name, eh?) has introduced a proposal to tax pianos at ten francs per year, partly as penalty for a public nuisance to the neighbours, and partly as legitimate revenue from luxuries. Hear, hear!

THE P. & O. steamship *Sulley* arrived in Hongkong about 3 p.m. yesterday, two hours before the Post Office expected, the mail being delivered at once, being both her own and that of the *Yarra*, which was disabled in the Suez Canal, and is expected here about Sunday next (6th inst.).

THE Vanishing Act again! Not a very expensive one this time—because it is not a Government or bank affair; only a measly little tea dealer, English, lately established in Hongkong from Canton, named Cotton. Liabilities about \$10 or so. Destination not known. Left on Friday or thereabouts. The cry is still "They go!"

FOR cruelty to some 70 or 80 bullocks by a dog, they were sold to a cargo boat at Kennedy Town with ordinary cargo slugs, yesterday, a junkman was fined \$10 by the Acting Police Magistrate to-day. One of the animals had its leg broken, and other damage done; the cattle could easily have been landed across gangways.

ONLY a delicate clerical joke perpetrated at the Cathederal this forenoon. A Christening ceremony in course of development. Child much in evidence. Name sought by officiating parson. "Beastie, Victoria?" smilingly answered the proud mother. "Surname?" "Nunn." "None?" "Oh!" with a wick and a big splash, "Beastie," etc.

THE Governor-General of French Indo-China was to arrive—Tours on the 24th ult., but was delayed a few days at Saigon. The *Touraine* municipally drew up an address, in the course of which he was to be asked to notice the anomaly that the P. & O. W. D. cost \$5,000 per year in salaries for \$1,000 worth of work; and in conclusion, the hope was expressed that the *Touraine* Coal Company, with the favour of the Government, would be exonerated from its present difficulties.

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A CHINIAN woman was fined half a dollar by the magistrate to-day for being drunk and disorderly in Queen's Road Central yesterday afternoon. This is an exceedingly rare occurrence with Chinese.

H.M.S. *Sherman* left Shanghai on the 3rd Inst. for Chonmou, via Nagasaki, and is expected back to Woosung on the 1st, but will not again go up the river. The French man-of-war *Norfolk* left on the same day for Nagasaki.

THE RUSSIAN men-of-war *Boats*, *Vitse*, and *Zabala* left Shanghai on the 2nd Inst. for the *Stratford* on the 29th ult. for Singapore, and was expected to arrive there on the 4th inst.

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120 YARDS FLAT RACE (handicap), first prize presented by Mr. D. R. Sancoor; second prize by the Committee; first heat, starters, W. H. Purcell (3 yds.), H. Pinckney (5 yds.), and T. H. K. (7 yds.).

Purcell 1
Pinckney 2
A very close finish. Time 12 sec.
SECOND HEAT, starters, S. R. Oliver (3 yds.), J. A. Strick (4 yds.), F. W. White (5 yds.), W. Newton (6 yds.), J. Machado (7 yds.).

Strick 1
Oliver 2
Won rather easily. Time, 12 sec.

FINAL HEAT.

Pinckney 1
Purcell 2
Strick 3

Won by a foot. Time, 12 sec.

An exceedingly good and exciting race, Pinckney leading home a foot or two ahead.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL, prize presented by the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Five competed for this event which was finally won by C. G. Taylor with the very decent throw of 100 yds. a foot.

LONG JUMP, prize presented by Mr. J. D. Humphreys.

Five competitors tried issues for this event which was finally won by D. Landale, who covered 19 ft. 3 in. There was no one else in the hunt.

SOLDIERS' HALF MILE (handicap).

Gunda Singh 1
The veteran was in fair form and won pretty well as pleased.

Time, 3 mins. 17 secs.

BICYCLE RACE, one mile (handicap); prize presented by Mr. D. Gillies. 3 Starters.

Da Silva 1
Alves 2

Won easily. Time, 4 min. 18 secs.

SOLDIERS' QUARTER MILE.

Private Stevenson romped home alone in 57 sec.

HIGH JUMP, prize presented by the V.R.C.;

H. Pinckney 1
D. Landale 2

Pinckney's 5' effort was not approached.

LADIES' FIFTH half mile flat race, first prize presented by the ladies of Hongkong, second and third prizes by the Committee. The following were the starters—R. Maximoff and H. Pinckney (10 yds.), S. R. Oliver (15 yds.), H. B. Bridger (15 yds.), E. R. Burdon (15 yds.), E. H. Madden (15 yds.), and J. F. S. Alves (30 yds.).

Burdon 1
Pinckney 2
Maxfield 3

A very good race and won in fine style. Time 2 mins. 10 secs.

VETERANS' RACE, 120 yards flat race (handicap); competitors to be over 35 years of age and of not less than 10 years' residence in India, China, or the tropics; prize presented by the Hon. C. P. Chater.

A. J. Leach (6 yds.) 1

Major Robinson (12 yds.) 2

A splendid collection of back numbers faced the flag for this highly prized trophy, which was secured by Leach after a good race. Leach, the limit man (10 yards) was nowhere. Time 13 secs.

100 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP, presented by Mr. H. N. Mody; holder D. Landale. To be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a competitor; second prize by the committee. Starters, D. Landale, W. H. Purcell, P. Phillips, J. A. Strick, Dr. J. M. Atkinson.

D. Landale 1
W. H. Purcell 2

J. A. Strick 3

Landale at once assumed the lead was never caught. Time 10 secs.

TUG-OF-WAR, 8 men a side; open to all comers; nationality to be decided by that of the father; to be pulled over 15 feet; no spikes or nails allowed; no sitting down; no holes to be dug in the ground before pulling; to be decided by one pull. Prize presented.

In accordance with the eternal fitness of things Scotland defeated England but in turn was put under by the representatives of the Emerald Isle.

HURDLER RACE, 120 yards, 10 flights; previous winners at Hongkong or elsewhere to be penalised 20 yards; first prize, presented by Dr. Ayres; second prize by the committee. Starters, P. Phillips (penalised) and H. Pinckney.

Phillips won very easily. Time, 18 sec.

DOUGLAS CHALLENGE CUP (Quarter Mile Flat Race); presented by Mr. John S. Lapsley Holder—D. Landale. To be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a competitor; second prize by Mr. H. N. Mody. Starters—H. J. Gedge, D. Landale, S. R. Oliver, G. Kirkpatrick, E. R. Burdon.

E. R. Burdon 1
S. R. Oliver 2

This was a very good race and the win was a most popular one. Gedge receiving quite an ovation from the onlookers.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (handicap); first prize presented by Hongkong Club; second prize by the Committee; starters—D. Landale (scratch); F. W. White (7 yds.); J. A. Strick (7 yds.).

D. Landale 1
W. H. Purcell 2

J. A. Strick 3

Landale again asserted his superiority over the field and came in an easy winner in 21 seconds.

CONSOLIDATION RACE, 120 yards; prize presented by Dr. J. M. Atkinson; starters—Kew, Oliver, F. W. White, Meaden.

T. H. Kow 1
G. Oliver 2

Kew secured a comparatively easy victory in 13 seconds.

OBSTACLE RACE, prize presented by Hon. F. A. Cooper.

C. G. Taylor 1

An easy win.

GREAT FIRE IN MANILA.

About 2 p.m. on Good Friday (13th ult.) whilst the citizens of Manila were peacefully sleeping through their church services, five bombs exploded in the Tondo quarter, which burned till nightfall, destroying about 4,000 houses.

The origin of the conflagration is assigned by the *Meridie* to a disturbance in a house where an Indian woman and the judge of the *Tribunal de Naturales* maintained amorous relations, they having accidentally upset some lights kept burning before the family crucifix. The flames almost reached a railway station, and consumed a building recently vacated by *Hannan's Circus*. Nine districts of the city suffered, 7 deaths were known to have occurred, besides dozens of injuries and thousands of people made destitute, and the damage is estimated at no less than \$200,000. The Governor of the Philippines wired home for permission to expend \$6,000 on immediate relief; the Archibishop authorized the appropriation of a further sum of \$5,000, left over from the *Coastage* flood relief fund, for the assistance of sufferers from the fire. The

Governor also called a meeting of all the press, and asked that assistance be given in the newspapers towards getting up a public subscription without delay. The municipality subsequently voted \$60,000 for fire engines, etc. Two relief committees have been appointed. An amateur concert was put up in aid of the relief funds. On Easter Sunday another fire broke out in the Santa Cruz suburb, destroying about 130 houses. On the 23rd ult. 600 houses were burnt down at Cabuyao.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, March 21st.

During the debate on Uganda last night, Mr. Balhaut accused Mr. Gladstone of minimizing the assurances given by him.

During the debate on the address, Mr. Chamberlain said he believed the nation was resolved not to relinquish the advantages secured by the surrender of Heligoland and the foreign treaty.

Both Mr. Balhaut and Mr. Chamberlain said England's honor was pledged to the retention of Uganda.

PARIS, March 21st.

The trial for bribing and receiving bribes in connection with the Panama Canal Company was closed to-day and the following sentences were passed:—M. Lesseps, one year's imprisonment; Mr. Balhaut, five years and a fine of three quarters of a mill on francs; and the accrued sum acquired.

LONDON, March 22nd.

Enter's correspondent at Bathurst states that a French Officer had hauled down the British flag in British territory on the Gambia river, but that no details had yet come to hand; in the meantime, Her Majesty's ship *Alecto* has proceeded up the Gambia river.

The debate on Supply was continued in the House of Commons last night. Sir E. Grey, in reply to several questions put, said the Government were determined to discharge their obligations in respect to Uganda, and would not incur the responsibility of withdrawing without being informed as to what would be the effect of such a step.

The *Standard*, in a telegram from Bangkok, states that Siam has finally rejected the French claims to the Mekong frontier line.

Mr. Fowler has introduced a Bill in the House of Commons for creating Parish Councils in every Parish with a population of three hundred and upwards and giving them larger powers.

PARIS, March 22nd.

The State funeral of the late M. Jules Ferry took place to-day; his remains were conveyed with great pomp from the Senate to the Railway Station and thence taken to his native town in Vosges Department for interment.

LONDON, March 23rd.

Her Majesty's Ship *Undaunted* in leaving Alexandria yesterday struck on a rock, but was floated off and returned to port for repairs.

The Siamese Minister in London discredits the statement made by the *Standard* that the Siamese Government had finally rejected the French claims to the Mekong frontier line.

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CALCUTTA, March 23rd.

The Financial Statement was presented to Council to-day. The accounts for 1891-92 closed with a surplus of Rx. 467,000; the revised estimate for 1892-93 show a deficit of Rx. 1,08,000; the budget for 1893-94 show a deficit of Rx. 1,595,100. Regarding the loss by exchange, it is explained that, although the Government was most unwilling to budget for the deficit, it was considered inexpedient to take measures for the restoration of the financial equilibrium until the Home Government have received a report of Lord Herschell's Committee and have given a decision on the Indian Currency Question. It is shown that any measures which could be adopted now must be inadequate or unnecessary, and it is stated that the decision on the currency question cannot be much longer delayed. Sir D. Barlowe appeals to all who have taken any part in the dispute on the currency question to put aside personal feeling, and to accept whatever decision may now be given, and to endeavour loyally to carry it into effect. He is willing to take this course himself, though he still prefers settlement by international agreement, and hopes, if possible, to secure it at some future time. Notwithstanding the present difficulties, he repeats his former opinion that the resources of India are adequate to her wants, but on condition that the measures of the Government of India were taken in good time and regulated by prudence and forethought and carried into effect with strict regard to economy. It is expected that a loan of three crores will be raised in India this year, but no pledge is given.

LONDON, March 24th.

An excited debate took place in the House of Commons last night on a motion brought forward by Mr. Barton, Member for Mid-Armagh, concerning Mr. Morley for remitting five years' sentence passed upon Mr. Foley, the Tipperary dynamiter. Mr. Morley justified his action on the ground of humanity. The motion on being put to the vote was rejected by a majority of forty. Mr. Gladstone, in replying to a question, said he agreed to facilitate the discussion on a vote of censure. Thereupon Mr. Balfour gave notice of a motion that the action of the Government in condoning serious offences and the failure to enforce law were calculated to revive terrorism in Ireland and bring the law into contempt.

Lord Salisbury's visit to Belfast has been postponed.

The despatch vessel *Almato*, built for the Indian government, was launched at Blackhead yesterday.

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